

The PILOTS Thesaurus

Introduction

The literature of traumatic stress is complex. It is produced by workers in many disciplines, including psychiatry, psychology, social work, criminology, and law. Some papers are reports of research; some are intended to help clinicians choose and apply therapeutic techniques; others are written to guide policy makers, to inform patients and their families, or to describe personal experiences. It is an international literature, with publications from dozens of countries and languages.

Because of all this, it is more difficult to search than less complicated literatures. Psychiatrists and psychologists don't always use the same words to describe the same phenomena. Europeans don't always use the same classification of mental disorders as Americans. Even so simple a concept as the proper term to describe Americans of African ancestry can be the subject of considerable controversy.

To alleviate these difficulties, PILOTS (like many other databases) uses a controlled vocabulary to standardize the indexing of documents and the process of retrieving them. The controlled vocabulary is not a concept limited to bibliographical work. Whether it be the definitions contained in the official rules of baseball or the nomenclature prescribed in the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders*, a controlled vocabulary will come into being whenever there is a need to standardize the terminology used by a group of people working toward a common end. There are thousands of people around the world publishing work on traumatic stress. The most effective way of finding the papers you need in the PILOTS database is to use the PILOTS Thesaurus.

The PILOTS Thesaurus consists of a list of more than eleven hundred terms ("descriptors") arranged so as to show the relationships among them. When we index a document, we select from the Thesaurus the terms that best describe

its form and content. When you search the PILOTS database, you can use the Thesaurus to find terms that best describe the material you are looking for. In theory—and surprisingly often in practice—when your search terms match our index terms you will have identified those papers most relevant to your need.

This list of terms is presented in two forms in the PILOTS Thesaurus: as a Systematic Table on pp. 25-36, and as an Alphabetical Index on pp. 37-184. Supplementary Term Lists on pp. 185-187 provide names of specific incidents, organizations, and persons that may also be used in indexing and searching.

Using the Systematic Table

The *Systematic Table* structures our examination of each document that we receive. Eight alphabetical lists (Stressors, Affected Persons, Effects, Assessment, Treatment, Scientific Research, Policy Issues, and Literary Formats) contain general terms for these areas. These, in turn, are divided and subdivided, so that the level of specificity with which a particular paper deals with these areas can be reflected in our indexing.

For example, an article on the treatment of PTSD might deal with "Treatment" in general, or more specifically with "Drug Therapy." It might concentrate on one type of drug therapy, such as "Antidepressant Drugs," or on one of these in particular, such as "Tricyclic Derivatives." Each of these terms represents a narrowing of the concept mentioned immediately before, which the PILOTS Thesaurus indicates by means of indentation:

- Treatment
 - Drug Therapy
 - Antidepressant Drugs
 - Tricyclic Derivatives

By examining the Systematic Table, you can locate terms with which to search the database, even if you don't know what terms our vocabulary might use.

The Systematic Table is especially useful in ensuring that you will locate all the papers that deal with your subject. Let's say that you are looking for papers on the use of antidepressant drugs in treating PTSD. "Antidepressant Drugs" is an obvious descriptor to use; but you might also want to look at those papers that deal with specific categories of antidepressants, which would be indexed under more specific descriptors rather than the more general one. Unfortunately, the PILOTS database does not yet offer an "explode" capability—if you want to search on a descriptor and its narrower terms, you must enter all of those terms. In our example, you would use

Antidepressant Drugs OR Atypical
Antidepressants OR Monoamine
Oxidase Inhibitors OR Specific
Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors OR
Tricyclic Derivatives

in your search statement.

How Descriptors Are Assigned

Indexing a document is an attempt to answer several questions about it in a standardized way. The assumption is that every paper indexed in PILOTS deals with some aspect of traumatic stress. So we assign descriptor terms to a given publication by asking:

- What traumatic event occurred to cause the phenomena discussed in this paper? We select the appropriate term(s) from the **Stressors** hierarchy.
- Who was affected by it? We add as many terms as are applicable from the **Affected Persons** hierarchy. Specific terms for age, sex, and nationality are applied when the information presented in the publication makes it possible to identify data pertaining specifically to those groups. (For example, if a paper discusses a population of both sexes, we would apply the descriptors "Males" and "Females" only if it reported at least some data on males and some on females. If none of the data were broken down by sex, those descriptors would not be applied.)
- What effects did the event have on that person or group of people? The **Effects** hierarchy lists

a wide range of symptoms and disorders from which we select all that are appropriate.

- How were these effects assessed? What approach to assessment and diagnosis was employed? Terms from the **Assessment** hierarchy are used to answer these questions.
- What was done to prevent or alleviate those effects? The answer lies in terms chosen from the **Treatment** hierarchy.

These questions don't cover all possible areas of interest. Three other categories of information are used to assign descriptors:

- **Scientific Research:** What methodology was used? What has the paper to say about the process of research into traumatic stress?
- **Policy Issues:** What is the role of those other than the patient and the therapist? How does traumatic stress interact with government and the legal system? What is the public's perception of traumatic stress?
- **Literary Format:** Is the information presented in a particular way?

Asking these same questions will help you to design a search strategy that will find the material you need among the thousands of publications indexed in the PILOTS database. In many cases, it will be worth your while to supplement this approach with natural language searching—that is, using words or phrases that seem to you to be relevant to your search but which are not included in the PILOTS Thesaurus. This will allow you to use terms that are too new, too specialized, or too idiosyncratic to be found in the controlled vocabulary, but which might have been used by the author of a relevant paper in its title or abstract. (For more information on this, see p. 7.)

Using the Alphabetical Index

The *Alphabetical Index* to the Thesaurus is a list of terms describing material that might be sought by a user of the PILOTS database. It includes not only the 1100-odd PILOTS descriptors but also a large number of other words and phrases that database users might have in mind. Its purpose is to indicate which of these terms should be used in searching the database, and to

display the relationships between all of the terms listed.

The Alphabetical Index shows three kinds of relationships among terms:

- Equivalence relationships
- Hierarchical relationships
- Associational relationships

For many descriptors, it also gives a Scope Note that explains the way in which the term is used in the PILOTS database.

Scope Notes taken by permission from the *Thesaurus of Psychological Index Terms*, are indicated by [APA]. A few others are from *Black's Law Dictionary* [BLD]; Corsini's *Dictionary of Psychology* [Corsini]; the *International Thesaurus of Refugee Terminology* [ITRT]; the National Library of Medicine's *Medical Subject Headings* [MeSH]; Barker's *Social Work Dictionary* [SWD]; and *Stedman's Medical Dictionary* [St]. An asterisk indicates that the original text was modified or adapted.

Equivalence Relationships (USE and UF)

In an *equivalence relationship*, two or more terms express the same (or nearly the same) concept, at least for indexing purposes. One of these terms is chosen as the **descriptor**, and is used whenever a publication dealing with that concept is indexed in the database. That term is listed in **bold face** type. Its synonyms are listed in ordinary type, with a reference to the descriptor that should be used in searching. For example:

Firemen

USE: Fire Fighters

In each case, both sides of the relationship are shown. Thus you would also find:

Fire Fighters

UF: Firemen

"UF" simply means "used for"; in this case, the descriptor "Fire Fighters" is used for the term "Firemen."

Hierarchical Relationship (BT and NT)

In a *hierarchical relationship*, one descriptor (the "Broader Term") describes a class or a whole, of which other descriptors ("Narrower Terms") are members or parts. One descriptor may be a broader term of another, and a narrower term of yet another descriptor.

For example, "Drug Therapy" is a class of treatment of which "Antidepressant Drugs" is an example; thus "Drug Therapy" is a broader term (BT) of "Antidepressant Drugs." "Drug Therapy" is also a member of the more general class of "Treatment" and is thus a narrower term (NT) of "Treatment." In the Alphabetical Index this relationship would appear as follows:

Drug Therapy

BT: Treatment

NT: Antidepressant Drugs

This relationship would also be shown under the entries for "Antidepressant Drugs" and "Treatment."

In the Alphabetical Index to the PILOTS Thesaurus, only the hierarchical level immediately above and immediately below each descriptor is shown. (For a representation of all broader and narrower levels, see the Systematic Table.)

Associative Relationship (RT)

In an *associative relationship*, two terms are linked to suggest that someone searching for information indexed under one term might also wish to consider using the other, even though the PILOTS Thesaurus does not place them in a hierarchical relationship. For example, "Pregnancy," "Abortion," and "Miscarriage" are all shown as related terms (RT), even though they are narrower terms of three different descriptors, because it is likely that papers indexed under one of those terms might be of interest to those searching for material indexed under the others.

In some cases this relationship is indicated where two opposite concepts exist. Thus "Transference" and "Countertransference" (both narrower terms of "Psychotherapeutic Processes") are shown as related terms.

Pattern Matching

We have described a PILOTS search as "an exercise in pattern matching." By using the PILOTS Thesaurus, you can ensure that the pattern that you are trying to match actually exists within the database, and increase your chances of finding the papers you need for your research or clinical work.

Systematic Table of PILOTS Descriptors

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All descriptors assigned to documents indexed in the PILOTS database are chosen from this list, except for the names of particular persons, organizations, or incidents. This list is arranged hierarchically. Each hierarchical level is indicated by indentation; at each level, terms are arranged alphabetically. The eight hierarchies, indicated by **bold face** in the table below, are:

- Affected Persons
- Assessment
- Effects
- Literary Formats
- Policy Issues
- Scientific Research
- Stressors
- Treatment

Terms in italics are not assigned as descriptors, but are shown to indicate their hierarchical role in the PILOTS Thesaurus.

• ***Affected Persons***

Age Groups

Adolescents
Adults
Aged
Middle Aged
Young Adults
Children
Infants
Neonates
Preschool Age Children
School Age Children
Preadolescents

Ethnic and National Groups

Africans
Algerians
Angolans
Basotho
Batswana

Beninese
Burkinabe
Burundians
Cameroonians
Cape Verdeans
Central Africans
Chadians
Comorans
Congolese
Djiboutians
Equatorial Guineans
Eritreans
Ethiopians
Gabonese
Gambians
Ghanaians
Guinea-Bissauans
Guineans
Ivorians
Kenyans
Liberians
Libyans
Mahorais
Malagasy
Malawians
Maliens
Mauritanians
Mauritians
Moroccans
Mozambicans
Namibians
Nigerians
Nigeriens
Reunionese
Rwandans
Sahrawis
Sao Tomeans
Senegalese
Sierra Leoneans
Somalis
South Africans
Sudanese

Swazis	Bruneians
Tanzanians	Burmese
Togolese	Chinese
Tunisians	Hong Kong Chinese
Ugandans	Macao Chinese
Zairians	Overseas Chinese
Zambians	Taiwan Chinese
Zimbabweans	Filipinos
Americans	Indians
African Americans	Indochinese
Arab Americans	Cambodians
Asian Americans	Laotians
Cambodian Americans	Hmong
Chinese Americans	Mien
Filipino Americans	Vietnamese
Indian Americans	Amerasians
Japanese Americans	Indonesians
Korean Americans	Iranians
Laotian Americans	Japanese
Vietnamese Americans	Kazakhstanis
European Americans	Kirghiz
Hispanic Americans	Koreans
Mexican Americans	Kurds
Puerto Rican Americans	Malaysians
Native Americans	Maldivians
Native Alaskan Americans	Mongolians
Pacific Islander Americans	Nepalese
American Samoans	Pakistanis
Guamanians	Seychellois
Native Hawaiian Americans	Singaporeans
Northern Mariana Islanders	Sri Lankans
Arabs	Tajiks
Bahrainis	Thai
Egyptians	Tibetans
Emirians	Timorese
Iraqis	Turkmens
Jordanians	Uighurs
Kuwaitis	Uzbeks
Lebanese	Australians
Omanis	Aboriginal Australians
Palestinians	Canadians
Qataris	Native Canadians
Saudis	Caribbean Islanders
Syrians	Cubans
Yemenis	Dominicans
Asians	Haitians
Afghans	Jamaicans
Bangladeshis	Europeans
Bhutanese	Albanians

Armenians	Bolivians
Austrians	Brazilians
Azerbaijanians	CentralAmericans
Basques	Belizeans
Belarusians	Costa Ricans
Belgians	Guatemalans
Bosnians	Hondurans
British	Nicaraguans
Bulgarians	Panamanians
Croats	Salvadorans
Cypriots	Chileans
Czechs	Colombians
Danes	Ecuadorians
Dutch	French Guianese
Estonians	Guyanese
Finns	Mexicans
French	Paraguayans
Georgians	Peruvians
Germans	Surinamers
Greeks	Uruguayans
Hungarians	Venezuelans
Icelanders	New Zealanders
Irish	Maori New Zealanders
Northern Irish	Pacific Islanders
Italians	Fijians
Kosovars	Micronesians
Latvians	Guamanians
Lithuanians	Northern Mariana Islanders
Macedonians	Papua New Guineans
Moldovans	Polynesians
Montenegrins	American Samoans
Norwegians	Maori New Zealanders
Poles	Native Hawaiian Americans
Portuguese	Roma
Romanians	Turks
Russians	<i>Family Relationships</i>
Serbs	Family Members
Slovaks	Grandchildren
Slovenes	Offspring
Spaniards	Orphans
Swedes	Parents
Swiss	Single Parents
Ukrainians	Siblings
Yugoslavs	Twins
Indigenous Peoples	Significant Others
Inuit	Spouses
Israelis	<i>Occupational Groups</i>
LatinAmericans	Agricultural Workers
Argentines	Migrant Farm Workers

Air Traffic Controllers
 Artists
 Athletes
 Blue Collar Workers
 Clergy
 Missionaries
 Emergency Personnel
 Body Handlers
 Casualty Assistance Workers
 Fire Fighters
 Police Personnel
 Military Police Personnel
 Prison Personnel
 Relief Workers
 Flying Personnel
 Intellectuals
 Medical Personnel
 Dentists
 Nurses
 Paramedical Personnel
 Physicians
 Obstetricians
 Pediatricians
 Psychiatrists
 Surgeons
 Neurosurgeons
 Physicians' Assistants
 Mental Health Personnel
 Occupational Therapists
 Psychiatrists
 Psychologists
 Social Workers
 Merchant Marine Personnel
 Military Personnel
 Air Force Personnel
 Army Personnel
 Coast Guard Personnel
 Commissioned Officers
 Enlisted Personnel
 Marine Personnel
 Military Police Personnel
 Missing in Action
 National Guard Personnel
 Navy Personnel
 Noncommissioned Officers
 Peacekeeping Personnel
 Reserve Personnel
 Resistance Fighters
 Special Forces Personnel

Nuclear Plant Workers
 Polar Personnel
 Antarctic Personnel
 Arctic Personnel
 Postal Workers
 Sex Workers
 Students
 College Students
 Elementary School Students
 Graduate Students
 High School Students
 Junior High School Students
 Kindergarten Students
 Preschool Students
 Teachers
 Transport Workers
 United Nations Personnel
 University Personnel
 Academics
 White Collar Workers
 Bank Workers
 Writers
 Journalists

Religious Groups

Atheists
 Bahais
 Buddhists
 Christians
 Copts
 Jehovahs Witnesses
 Mormons
 Orthodox Christians
 Protestants
 Roman Catholics
 Confucianists
 Hindus
 Humanists
 Jains
 Jews
 Muslims
 Shintoists
 Sikhs
 Taoists
 Zoroastrians

Sex Groups

Females
 Males

Socioeconomic Status

Lower Class

Middle Class
 Upper Class
 Abandoned Children
 Colonists
 Disabled
 Autistic
 Blind
 Deaf
 Mentally Retarded
 Multiply Disabled
 Physically Disabled
 Homosexuals
 Hospital Patients
 Emergency Room Patients
 Psychiatric Inpatients
 Migrants
 Displaced Persons
 Internally Displaced Persons
 Refugees
 Asylum Seekers
 Emigrants
 Exiles
 Immigrants
 Unaccompanied Minors
 Peers
 Perpetrators
 Prison Inmates
 Hostages
 Political Prisoners
 Prisoners of War
 Reservation Residents
 Runaways
 Rural Populations
 Stateless Persons
 Survivors
 Treatment Dropouts
 Veterans
 Witnesses

• **Assessment**

Assessment Instruments
 Anatomically Detailed Dolls
 Interview Schedules
 Projective Techniques
 PTSD Assessment Instruments
 Self Report Instruments
 Trauma Assessment Instruments
 Biologic Markers
 Biochemical Markers

Brain Imaging
 Genetic Markers
 Neuroendocrine Testing
 Provocative Tests
 Cross Cultural Assessment
 Diagnosis
 Differential Diagnosis
 Medical Diagnosis
 Forensic Evaluation
 Disability Evaluation
 Nosology
 Diagnostic Validity
 Patient History
 Psychophysiological Assessment

• **Effects**

Academic Achievement
 Alexithymia
 Alienation
 Anhedonia
 Anomie
 Antisocial Behavior
 Criminal Behavior
 Burnout
 Childhood Disorders
 Disruptive Behavior Disorders
 Elimination Disorders
 Encopresis
 Enuresis
 Pervasive Developmental Disorders
 Tic Disorders
 Cognitive Processes
 Awareness
 Attention
 Cognitive Impairment
 Memory Impairment
 Communication Disorders
 Hearing Disorders
 Language Disorders
 Speech Disorders
 Conditioned Emotional Responses
 Culture-Bound Syndromes
 Defense Mechanisms
 Compensation
 Denial
 Displacement
 Fantasy
 Grandiosity
 Identification

Intellectualization
 Introjection
 Isolation
 Projection
 Projective Identification
 Rationalization
 Reaction Formation
 Regression
 Repression
 Sublimation
 Suppression
 Withdrawal
 Delayed Onset
 Guilt
 Health Care Utilization
 Interpersonal Interaction
 Abuse Propensity
 Attachment Behavior
 Marital Problems
 Parenting Behavior
 Learned Helplessness
 Malingering
 Mortality
 Personality Disorders
 Antisocial Personality Disorder
 Avoidant Personality Disorder
 Borderline Personality Disorder
 Dependent Personality Disorder
 Depressive Personality Disorder
 Histrionic Personality Disorder
 Narcissistic Personality Disorder
 Obsessive-Compulsive Personality Disorder
 Paranoid Personality Disorder
 Passive-Aggressive Personality Disorder
 Schizoid Personality Disorder
 Schizotypal Personality Disorder
 Personality Traits
 Adaptability
 Aggressiveness
 Femininity
 Hypnotic Susceptibility
 Irritability
 Masculinity
 Moodiness
 Narcissism
 Optimism
 Passiveness
 Pessimism

Religiosity
 Resilience
 Sexuality
 Spirituality
 Suggestibility
 Positive Effects
 Psychiatric Disorders
 Adjustment Disorder
 Anxiety Disorders
 Generalized Anxiety Disorder
 Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder
 Panic Disorder
 Phobia

Stress Disorders

Acute Stress Disorder
 Enduring Personality Change
 PTSD

 Complex PTSD
 PTSD (DSM-III)
 PTSD (DSM-III-R)
 PTSD (DSM-IV)
 PTSD (ICD-10)
 PTSD (ICD-9)

Stress Disorder Symptoms

 Arousal
 Anger
 Electrodermal Activity
 Hypervigilance
 Startle Reflex
 Avoidance
 Emotional Numbing
 Comorbidity
 Reexperiencing
 Anniversary Reactions
 Dissociative Symptoms
 Hallucinations
 Auditory Hallucinations
 Hypnagogic Hallucinations
 Olfactory Hallucinations
 Somatic Hallucinations
 Tactile Hallucinations
 Visual Hallucinations
 Intrusive Thoughts
 Traumatic Neuroses
 War Neuroses
 Cognitive Disorders
 Dissociative Disorders
 Depersonalization Disorder
 Dissociative Amnesia

Dissociative Fugue	Suicidality
Dissociative Identity Disorder	Self Efficacy
Drug Abuse	Sexual Behavior
Alcohol Abuse	Homosexuality
Amphetamine Abuse	Inappropriate Sexual Behavior
Caffeine Abuse	Promiscuity
Cannabis Abuse	Prostitution
Cocaine Abuse	Shame
Hallucinogen Abuse	Sleep Behavior
Inhalent Abuse	Dreaming
Nicotine Abuse	Somatic Symptoms
Opioid Abuse	Cardiovascular Symptoms
Phencyclidine Abuse	Chronic Fatigue Syndrome
Sedative Abuse	Dental Symptoms
Eating Disorders	Dermatological Symptoms
Anorexia Nervosa	Fibromyalgia
Bulimia Nervosa	Gastrointestinal Symptoms
Factitious Disorders	Gynecological Symptoms
Impulse-Control Disorders	Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes
Mood Disorders	Premenstrual Syndrome
Bipolar Disorders	Immunological Symptoms
Depressive Disorders	Allergic Symptoms
Psychotic Disorders	Multiple Chemical Sensitivity
Delusional Disorder	Neurological Symptoms
Schizophrenia	Obesity
Sexual Disorders	Physical Pain
Gender Identity Disorders	Headache
Paraphilias	Seizures
Sexual Dysfunctions	Trauma Contagion
Sleep Disorders	Intergenerational Effects
Hypersomnia	Traumatic Grief
Insomnia	
Narcolepsy	
Nightmare Disorder	
Somatoform Disorders	
Conversion Disorder	
Hypochondriasis	
Somatization Disorder	
Quality of Life	
Reactivation	
Remission	
Self Concept	
Ethnic Identity	
Moral Development	
Self Esteem	
Self Destructive Behavior	
Completed Suicide	
Self Inflicted Wounds	
Self Mutilation	
	• Literary Formats
	Anecdotes
	Bibliography
	Abstracts
	Literature Review
	Meta Analysis
	Biography
	Obituary
	Case Law
	Case Report
	Commentary
	Editorial
	Professional Criticism
	Professional Criticism Reply
	Critique
	Dance
	Directory

- Drama
- Fiction
 - Children's Fiction
 - Young Adult Fiction
- Graphic Art
- Historical Account
- Humor
- Legislation
- Letter
- Music
- Official Publication
 - Hearing Transcript
 - Legislative Report
- Patient Workbook
- Personal Interview
- Personal Narrative
- Popular Work
- Practice Guideline
- Statistical Tables
- Treatment Manual
- Verse

• Policy Issues

- Criminal Investigation
- Developing Countries
- Education
 - Curriculum
 - Professional Training
- Government Agencies
- Government Policy Making
 - Health Care Policy
 - Migration Policy
- Government Programs
 - Military Pensions
 - Social Security
 - Veterans Benefits
 - Workers Compensation
- Health Care Costs
 - Managed Care
- Insurance
- Intergroup Relations
- Legal Processes
 - Traumatic Syndromes***
 - Battered Child Syndrome
 - Battered Woman Syndrome
 - Rape Trauma Syndrome
 - Administrative Law
 - Civil Proceedings
 - Custody Proceedings

- Tort Actions
 - Assessment of Damages
- Workplace Related Law
- Criminal Proceedings
 - Competency to Stand Trial
 - Insanity Defense
 - Unconsciousness Defense
- Criminal Pleas
 - Self Defense
- Sentencing
- Immigration Law
- International Law
- Martial Law
- Military Law
 - Court Martial
- Refugee Law
- Religious Law
 - Christian Law
 - Canon Law
 - Hindu Law
 - Islamic Law
 - Jewish Law
- Therapeutic Jurisprudence
- Trial Practice
 - Jury Selection
 - Legal Testimony
 - Examination of Witnesses
 - Expert Testimony
 - Pretrial Preparation
- Mass Media
- Military Psychiatry
- Nongovernmental Organizations
 - International Organizations
 - Professional Organizations
 - Veterans Organizations
 - Voluntary Organizations
- Professional Ethics
- Professional Standards
 - Professional Liability
- Public Opinion
 - Health Personnel Attitudes
- Telemedicine

• Scientific Research

Methodology Employed

- Clinical Trial
 - Randomized Clinical Trial
- Followup Study
- Longitudinal Study

- Animal Models
- Bibliometrics
- Epidemiology
- Etiology
 - Genetics
 - Predisposition
- Methodology
 - Experimental Design
- Neurosciences
 - Neuroanatomy
 - Neurobiology
 - Neurochemistry
 - Neuroendocrinology
 - Neurophysiology
 - Neurotransmitters
 - Receptor Binding
- Psychoanalytic Theory
- Psychobiology
 - Psychopharmacology
 - Psychophysiology
 - Biological Rhythms
 - Psychoimmunology
- Research Management
- Research Needs
- Treatment Effectiveness

• **Stressors**

- Acculturation
 - Culture Shock
- Anomalous Experiences
- Anticipatory Stress
- Colonialism
- Crime
 - Arson
 - Assault
 - Battery
 - Burglary
 - Community Violence
 - Family Violence
 - Child Abuse
 - Elder Abuse
 - Emotional Abuse
 - Neglect
 - Spouse Abuse
 - Genocide
 - Holocaust
 - Hate Crime
 - Homicide
 - Incest

- Kidnapping
 - Hostage Taking
- Larceny
- Migrant Trafficking
- Peer Abuse
- Prison Riots
- Rape
 - Acquaintance Rape
 - Partner Rape
- Ritual Abuse
- Robbery
 - Piracy
- Sexual Harassment
- Stalking
- Terrorism
- Torture
- Workplace Violence
- Cults
- Death by Suicide
- Disasters
 - Accidents
 - Air Traffic Accidents
 - Home Accidents
 - Industrial Accidents
 - Motor Traffic Accidents
 - Pedestrian Accidents
 - Railroad Accidents
 - Ship Accidents
 - Natural Disasters
 - Avalanches
 - Blizzards
 - Earthquakes
 - Epidemics
 - Famine
 - Floods
 - Hurricanes
 - Landslides
 - Lightning
 - Tornados
 - Tsunamis
 - Volcanos
 - Technological Disasters
 - Building Collapse
 - Explosions
 - Landmines
 - Fires
 - Nuclear Accidents
 - Toxic Contamination
 - Agent Orange

- Nuclear Testing
- Diseases
 - AIDS
 - Anaphylactic Shock
 - Cancer
 - Cardiovascular Diseases
 - Chronic Diseases
 - Congenital Diseases
 - Mental Illness
 - Musculoskeletal Diseases
 - Multiple Sclerosis
 - Respiratory Diseases
 - Terminal Illness
- Distant Trauma
- Executions
- Forced Isolation
- Forced Labor
- Slavery
- Grotesque Death
- Imaginary Events
- Incarceration
 - Concentration Camps
 - Political Imprisonment
 - War Imprisonment
- Injuries
 - Animal Attacks
 - Dog Bites
 - Snake Bites
 - Burns
 - Disfigurement
 - Electrical Injuries
 - Hand Injuries
 - Head Injuries
 - Orthopedic Injuries
 - Spinal Cord Injuries
 - Wounds
- Legal Procedures
 - Jury Service
- Life Experiences
 - Adoption
 - Aging
 - Bereavement
 - Death of Child
 - Miscarriage
 - Stillbirth
 - Death of Parent
 - Death of Sibling
 - Death of Spouse
 - Separation

- Divorce
- Loss of Custody
- Childbirth
- Homelessness
- Polygamy
- Pregnancy
- Relocation
- Retirement
- Reunions
- Unemployment
- Medical Procedures
 - Dental Procedures
 - Genetic Testing
 - Intensive Care Procedures
 - Psychotherapeutic Procedures
 - Reproductive Technology
 - Surgical Procedures
 - Abortion
 - Amputation
 - Genital Mutilation
 - Mastectomy
 - Anesthetic Failure
 - Organ Transplantation
 - Sterilization
- Migration
 - Forced Migration
 - Internal Displacement
 - Secondary Migration
- Multiple Traumatic Events
 - Revictimization
- Persecution
- Prenatal Stress
- Research Participation
 - Experimental Stressors
- Starvation
- War
 - Individual Wars***
 - Abkhazian War
 - Afghanistan War
 - Algerian War
 - American Civil War
 - Arab-Israeli War
 - Intifada
 - Israel-Lebanon War
 - Yom Kippur War
 - Chechnya War
 - Crimean War
 - Falklands War
 - Gulf War

Indochina War	Antihypertensive Drugs
Indonesian Revolution	Antimanic Drugs
Iran-Iraq War	Antipsychotic Drugs
Korean War	Hallucinogenic Drugs
Nigerian Civil War	Herbal Medicine
Russo-Japanese War	Narcoanalysis
Spanish Civil War	Sleep Treatment
Vietnam War	Sympathetic Agents
World War I	Antiadrenergic Agents
World War II	Dopaminergic Agents
Yugoslav Wars of Secession	Evidence Based Treatment
Biological Warfare	Feminist Therapy
Chemical Warfare	Meditation
Civil Warfare	Centering
Deployment	Memory Retrieval Techniques
Guerrilla Warfare	Negative Therapeutic Reaction
Military Intervention	False Memory
Humanitarian Intervention	Retraumatization
Military Training	Nursing
Nuclear Warfare	Occupational Therapy
	Physical Treatment Methods
• Treatment	Alternative Medicine
Behavior Modification	Acupuncture
Biofeedback Training	Dental Treatment
Relaxation Therapy	Electrosleep Treatment
Case Management	Nutrition
Coping Behavior	Physical Therapy
Disclosure	Shock Therapy
Creative Arts Therapy	Surgical Treatment
Art Therapy	Neurosurgical Treatment
Bibliotherapy	Psychosurgical Treatment
Dance Therapy	Plastic Surgery Treatment
Drama Therapy	Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation
Music Therapy	Posttreatment Followup
Storytelling	Prevention
Therapeutic Writing	Crisis Intervention
Videotherapy	Psychological Debriefing
Cross Cultural Treatment	Critical Incident Stress Debriefing
Drug Therapy	Primary Health Care
Analgesic Drugs	Program Evaluation
Antianxiety Drugs	Psychosocial Rehabilitation
Antihistamine Derivatives	Social Skills Training
Azapirone Derivatives	Therapeutic Social Clubs
Benzodiazepine Derivatives	Vocational Rehabilitation
Antidepressant Drugs	Psychotherapeutic Processes
Atypical Antidepressants	Boundary Violations
Monoamine Oxidase Inhibitors	Sexual Boundary Violations
Selective Serotonin Reuptake Inhibitors	Computer Assisted Psychotherapy
Tricyclic Derivatives	Countertransference

Interpretation Services	Persuasion Therapy
Manual-Based Treatments	Play Therapy
Patient Selection	Primal Therapy
Professional Supervision	Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy
Transference	Dream Analysis
Vicarious Traumatization	Self Psychology
Psychotherapy	Rational Emotive Therapy
Adlerian Psychotherapy	Reality Therapy
Analytical Psychotherapy	Relationship Therapy
Autogenic Training	Transactional Analysis
Behavior Therapy	Recreation Therapy
Aversion Therapy	Adventure Therapy
EMDR	Religion in Therapy
Exposure Therapy	Pastoral Counseling
Virtual Reality Exposure	Shamanism
Reciprocal Inhibition Therapy	Ritual Therapy
Sex Therapy	Self Help Techniques
Systematic Desensitization Therapy	Twelve Step Programs
Body Psychotherapy	Social Casework
Brief Psychotherapy	Social Support Networks
Client Centered Psychotherapy	Support Groups
Cognitive Therapy	Traditional Medicine
Anxiety Management Therapy	Treatment Duration
Constructivist Therapy	Treatment Facilities
Neurolinguistic Programming	Foster Care
Thought Field Therapy	Halfway Houses
Traumatic Incident Reduction	Hospices
Directed Reverie Therapy	Hospitals
Ego State Therapy	Emergency Rooms
Existential Psychotherapy	Intensive Care Units
Experiential Psychotherapy	Military Hospitals
Expressive Psychotherapy	Psychiatric Hospitals
Family Therapy	Veterans Hospitals
Gestalt Therapy	Nursing Homes
Group Psychotherapy	Orphanages
Encounter Group Therapy	Outpatient Treatment
Marathon Group Therapy	Community Mental Health Centers
Psychodrama	Rape Crisis Centers
Therapeutic Community	Veterans Centers
Trauma Focus Therapy	Partial Hospitalization
Hypnotherapy	Victim Services
Insight Therapy	Outreach Programs
Interpersonal Psychotherapy	Victim Compensation
Logotherapy	